AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Listing of claims:

1.-8. (Cancelled)

9. (Previously Presented)   An automation system for creating an automation solution in automation technology, said system comprising:

a plurality of automation objects which are alterable by a user, each automation object realizing a partial automation solution;

a central data store for entering and storing object names of automation objects, as directory entries in a directory, wherein each object name includes,

first information data as a reference to the automation object,

second information data as a description of technological functionality of the automation object, and

third information data as a description of an interface of the automation object,

wherein the automation object, when in the directory, is viewable by at least one of another user and a tool, and

wherein the object name of the automation object is usable to request a reference to the automation object to be worked on by a plurality of users in parallel to create the automation solution in automation technology.

10. (Previously Presented)   The automation system as claimed in claim 9, wherein each directory entry includes fourth information data for listing the names of subcomponents of the automation object.

11.-16. (Cancelled)